

4. Fall of sap the butter and milk is milked
from heaven, the bond¹ of the sacrifice, the water is
generated: the assembled liberal givers delight him:

(the Soma-juices) the leaders, the protectors shovrer
down the accumulated (water).

5. Combining with the wave the Soma utters a
cry ; he sprinkles² his god-protecting body for the
worshipper; he places the germ upon the lap of the
earth, whereby we acquire sons and grandsons.

*>. Xay these (juices) which are in the third ^{T^-x}
world, the world of many streams, unconnected,
bestowing Drosenv, descend; the four dibits" ('of

^{o x *^> *, r > v- v.}
the Soma) sent down from heaven bearing water
bring the oblation and the nectar.

6. When the *Soma* seeks to gain (heaven) he
assumes a white colour; showering (benefits),
powerful he knows (how to bestow) abundant
wealth (upon the worshippers). He by his wisdom
is associated with excellent rites; he bursts asunder
the rain cloud from heaven.

7. Anon the *Soma* suecessfullv⁴ reaches the

¹h is taken by Sayana as "binding," from *nan*, to "bind.

- i.e. distils into the Tesse!?.

³ Sayana explains *ndlhaJi* as the rays *fdiptzyahj* or digits

fkaldhj of the *Soata*, and derives it in a confused way
"both
from *fixljizs*, heaven, and the root *nan*, to bind (*ndlk&h—*
xjlhs&o
IddkU'dk "obstructing heaven"?).

⁴ Savana exDlaiafe *sasavdn* as *\$ambhajvn*, which must
mean
"enjoying, possessing," though, *sambkajamdnah* would be
more
correct in this sense.